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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated August 08, 2003 (Paper No. 4) and is submitted within the shortened three month statutory time limit. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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